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SUBJECT: Common Working File (CWF) Reorganization of Daily Beneficiary Extract Files

I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) requests that the CWF maintainer, MBD and NGD contractors implement analysis performed under CMS CR 9451.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 1, 2017
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IMPLEMENTATION DATE: April 3, 2017

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II. CHANGES IN MANUAL INSTRUCTIONS: (N/A if manual is not updated)
R=REVISED, N=NEW, D=DELETED-*Only One Per Row.*

R/N/D	CHAPTER / SECTION / SUBSECTION / TITLE
N/A	N/A

III. FUNDING:
For Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs):
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IV. ATTACHMENTS:

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I.   GENERAL INFORMATION

A.   Background: CWF stores all the eligibility and services rendered information related to beneficiaries enrolled in Medicare. CWF exchanges this data daily with Medicare Beneficiary Database (MBD) and Next Generation Desktop (NGD). Per International Business Machines (IBM) Corporation, the maximum record length of each sequential record cannot exceed 32k (32,767) bytes. CWF beneficiary extract records exchanged with MBD and NGD are reaching this limit. Additional data elements, if added, would require each of the data records to be split into multiple records. This would result in major changes by all three systems impacted.

During analysis under CMS CR 9451, all three systems, CWF, MBD, and NGD, agreed to reformat existing data elements and make additional room for future use eliminating the need for splitting each beneficiary extract record into multiple records per beneficiary.

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) requests that the CWF maintainer, MBD and NGD contractors implement analysis performed under CMS CR 9451.

B.   Policy: This change implements the analysis and design associated with CR 9451.

II.   BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS TABLE
"Shall" denotes a mandatory requirement, and "should" denotes an optional requirement.

Number	Requirement	Responsibility								
		A/B MAC			DME MAC	Shared-System Maintainers				Other
		A	B	HHH		FISS	MCS	VMS	CWF	

9787.1	CWF maintainer shall modify existing MBD daily extract records layout, CABEMBD, to
	  1. change proposed numeric fields including all date fields to COMP-3,
	  2. remove ALIN data table as MBD would get this information directly from Enrollment DataBase,
	  3. change daily extracts to ONLY include table(s) that are modified since last extract based on the corresponding 'Last Update Date' to eliminate MBD's data compare process to identify changes, and
	  4. group individual HCPCS that apply to same service(s) in the next eligible dates table by
									X	

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	categories and send next eligible dates based on categories along with documentation updates and generate MBD daily extract records in the new format.									
9787.1.1	MBD shall accept the newly formatted MBD daily extract records from CWF and reduced data content.									MBD

9787.2	CWF maintainer shall modify existing NGD daily extract records layout, CABENGD, to
	  1. change 4-bytes QUALIFIER from each occurrence
	    to only one occurrence at the beginning of
	    each table,
	  2. change Beneficiary Other Insurer and Hospice
	    tables to carry 10 most recent occurrences, and
	  3. group individual HCPCS that apply to same
	    service(s) in the next eligible dates table by
	    categories and send next eligible dates based
	    on categories along with documentation updates
	 and generate NGD daily extract records in the new format.
									X	

9787.2.1	NGD shall accept the newly formatted NGD daily extract records from CWF.									NGD
9787.3	MBD and NGD daily extract job, CABMDH60, runs for a long time. To avoid delay in processing of daily cycles and save on clock time, CWF maintainer shall break this job into 10 individual jobs based on beneficiary high order digit (HIGIT) and run in parallel. Also, CWF maintainer shall create a new job to combine the outputs from 10 individual jobs into one before sending the daily extracts to MBD and NGD.								X	

III.   PROVIDER EDUCATION TABLE

Number	Requirement	A/B MAC			DME MAC	CEDI
		A	B	HHH		
	None					

IV.   SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Section A: Recommendations and supporting information associated with listed requirements: N/A
"Should" denotes a recommendation.

X-Ref Requirement Number	Recommendations or other supporting information:

Section B: All other recommendations and supporting information: N/A

V. CONTACTS

Pre-Implementation Contact(s): Vinay Vuyyuru, 410-786-9111 or Vinay.Vuyyuru@cms.hhs.gov.

Post-Implementation Contact(s): Contact your Contracting Officer's Representative (COR).

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